The Thankless Souls



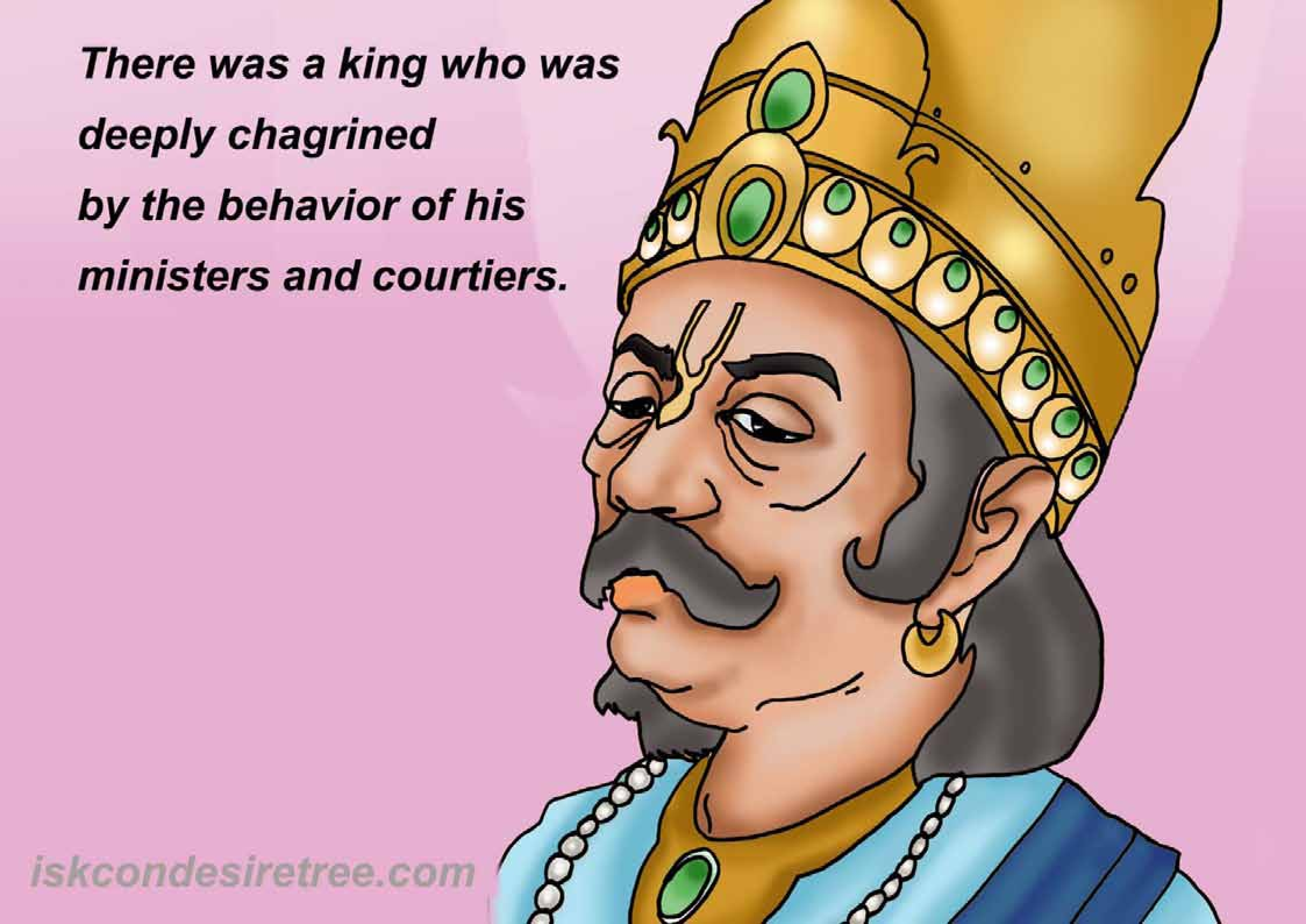


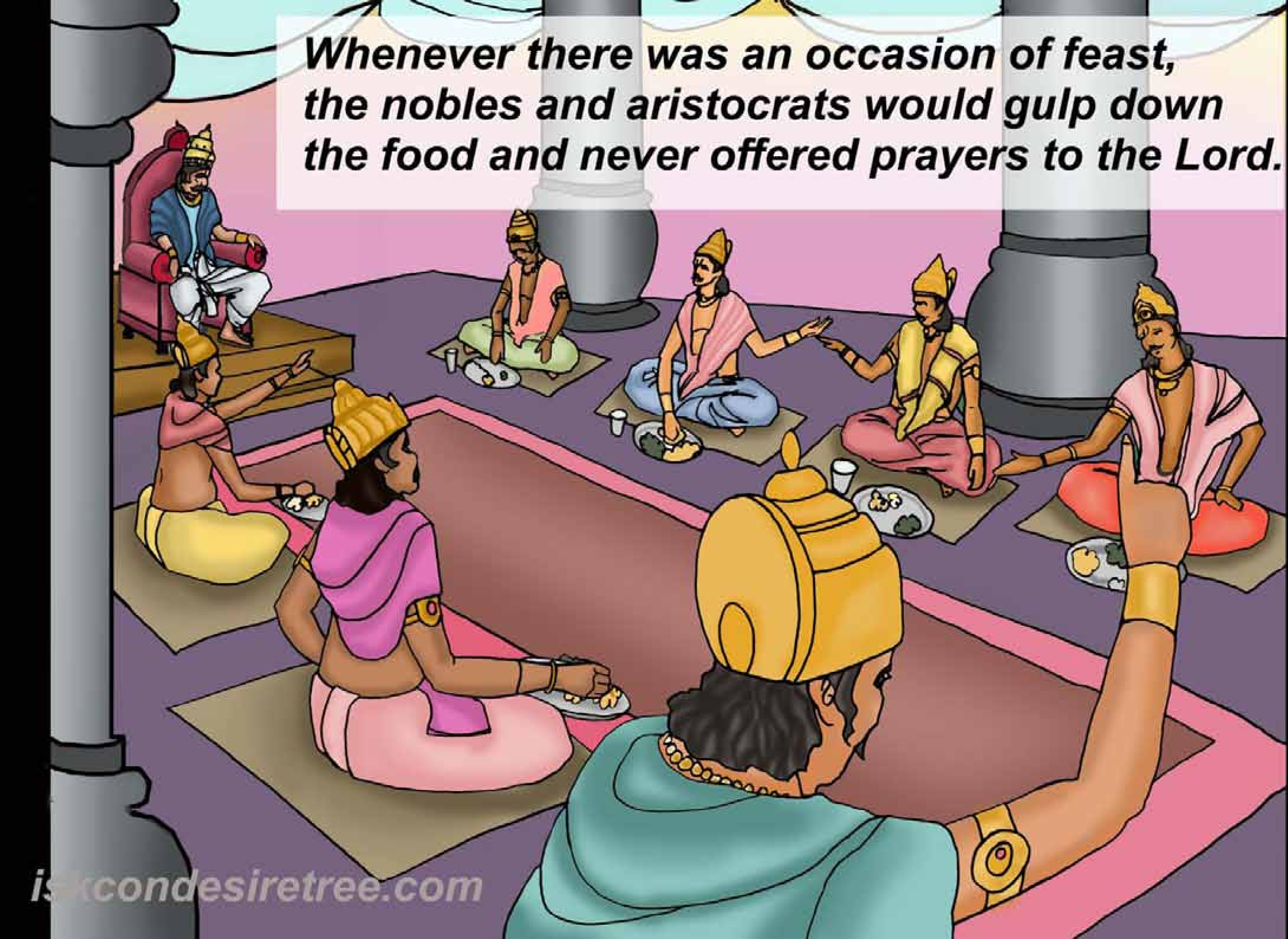
Instructive Stories from teachings of

His Divine Grace

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There was a king who was
deeply chagrined
by the behavior of his
ministers and courtiers.


Whenever there was an occasion of feast, the nobles and aristocrats would gulp down the food and never offered prayers to the Lord.

They would laugh and joke and never thanked the Lord for the food provided to them.

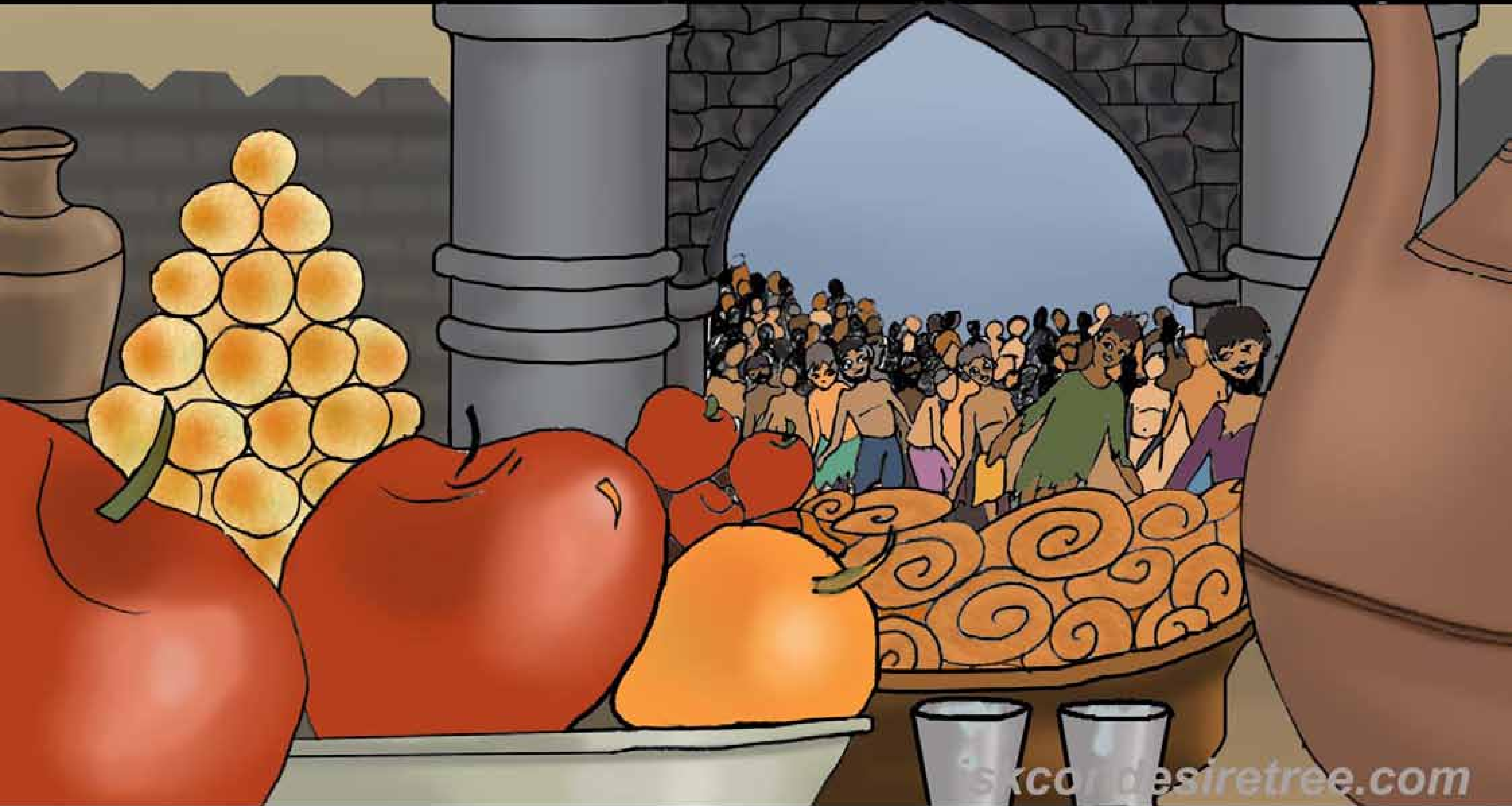




The king was disturbed
and wanted to
teach them a lesson.


Let there be a great feast, annadan, organized for all the beggars and the destitutes of the Kingdom.

Hundreds of people arrived at the feast who were dirty and unclean and stinking.





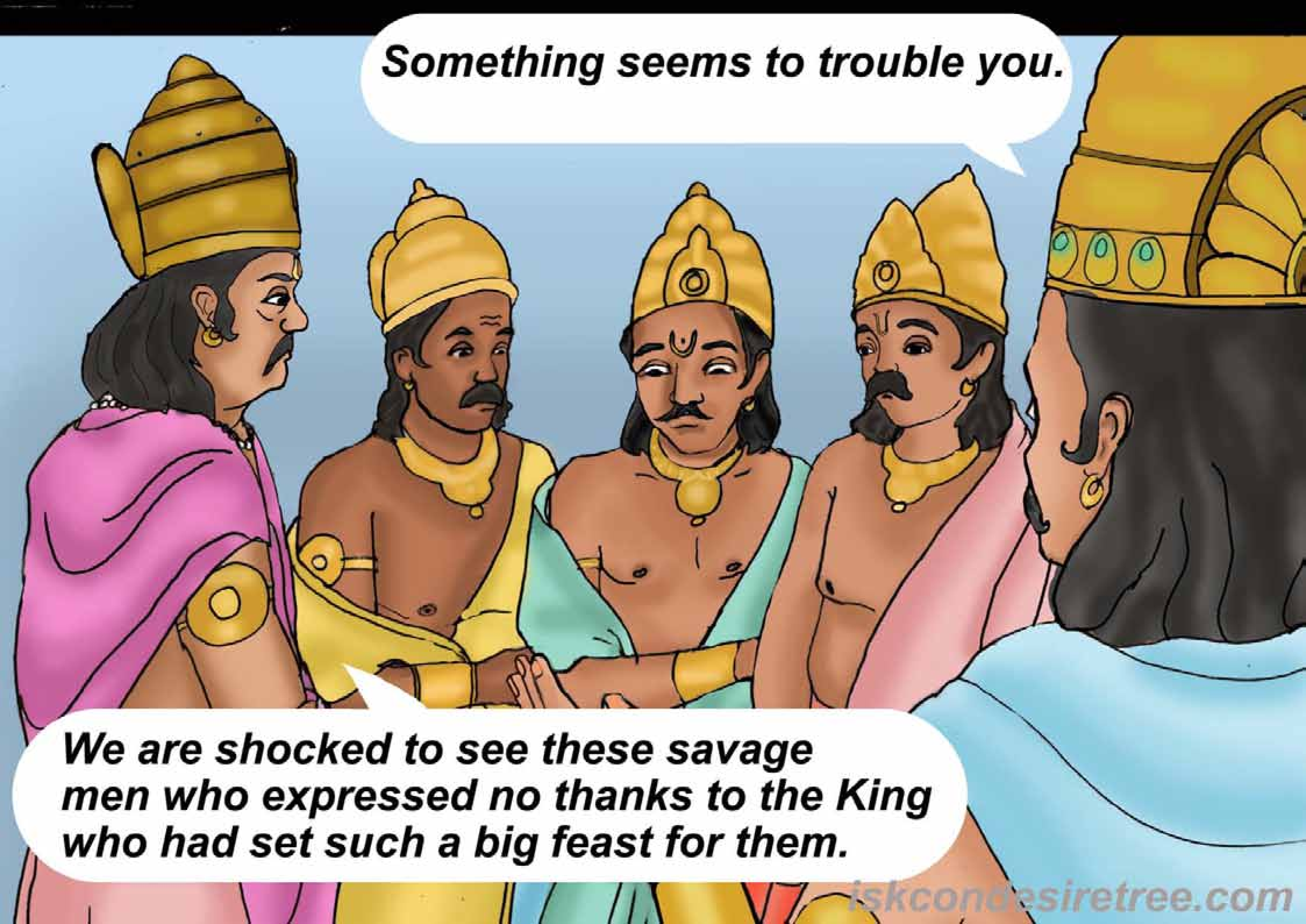
They pounced upon the delicious food, pushed each other and grabbed whatever they could.



They ate as much as
they wanted and
did not notice
the King who was
watching them from up.


The ministers and courtiers were also invited to witness this grand feast.
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They have no manners, behaving so badly, they should never have been invited.
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Something seems to trouble you.
We are shocked to see these savage men who expressed no thanks to the King who had set such a big feast for them.
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Everyday, the Lord sets before us such a feast, how many of us pause to thank the Lord, who is the provider of all the food. Are we better them whom you have called savages ?
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MORAL :

Human beings are provided with food grains, vegetables, fruits and milk by the grace of the Lord. As a matter of gratitude, they must first offer Him food in sacrifice and then partake of the remnants.